NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR ALLOWABLE EX PARTE BRIEFING

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-3-260(C)(6)(a)(v)-(vii), the Public Service Commission of South Carolina hereby provides the following notice of a request for an allowable ex parte communication briefing:

Person or Party Requesting the Briefing: **Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and**

Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc.

Date and Time of the Proposed Briefing: Wednesday, January 23, 2013

10:00 a.m.

Commissioners and Commission Employees

Requested to Attend Briefing: Co

Commissioners:

Chairman David A. Wright Vice Chairman Randy Mitchell

Commissioner John E. Butch Howard Commissioner Elizabeth B. "Lib" Fleming

Commissioner G. O'Neal Hamilton Commissioner Nikiya "Nikki" Hall Commissioner Swain E. Whitfield

Commission Employees

Jocelyn Boyd, Chief Clerk/Administrator Joseph Melchers, General Counsel

Subject Matter to Be Discussed at Briefing: Joint Dispatch Savings and Merger

Integration Update

Speakers: Sasha Weintraub, Clark Gillespy, Keith Trent

Commission Docket No.: 2011-158-E

The Public Service Commission of South Carolina will post on its website further information from this allowable ex parte briefing within 96 hours of its conclusion.